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Renata Hesse, Trial Attorney
Antitrust Division
Department of Justice
601 D Street NY, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20530

Re: U.S. v. Microsoft

Dear Ms. Hesse:

Throughout my tenure in the New York State Assembly I have been a strong advocate on behalf of small business, consumers, and decreased government regulation.

As an extension of this advocacy I write to support the proposed settlement between the U.S. Department of Justice and Microsoft. It appears that continued litigation would satisfy only technology competitors of Microsoft while the negotiated settlement will inure to the benefit of taxpayers, consumers, the industry and the state and national economy.

Since the most desirable outcome would be that which serves the best interest of the general public, I respectfully urge a favorable consideration of the pending settlement. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frances T. Sullivan".

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